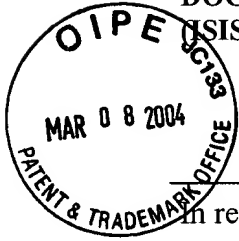


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In response to the Office Action mailed October 7, 2003, in connection with the above referenced application, a petition for a two month extension of time and appropriate payment being submitted herewith, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejection of record in view of the following remarks.